GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:491
ANSWERED ON:22.11.2000
DISPARITIES BETWEEN STATES
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have expressed serious concern over the widening disparities between States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there has been a huge gap between the approved outlay and expenditure in various States;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the corrective steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. Concern has been expressed at the widening disparities in the growth performance of individual States. The range of variation between the slowest and the fastest growing States in the 1980s was from 3.6 % per year in Kerala to 6.6 % in Rajasthan, a factor of less than 2. The range increased very substantially in the 1990s from a low of 2.7 % per year for Bihar to a high of 9.6 % of Gujarat a factor exceeding 3.5. Comparing Bihar`s per capita growth rate with that of Gujarat in 1990s, the ratio between the lowest and the highest is as high as 1 : 7. The States also vary very widely in terms of human development in terms of percentage of population below poverty line and literacy percentage etc. There are significant differentials between the rural and urban areas, between communities and between the genders in most States.

(c) & (d): While most of the States have not been able to fully utilize the outlay approved in their discussions with the Planning Commission, there has been a huge gap between the approved outlay and expenditure in case of States like Uttar Pradesh and Bihar. A statement giving State-wise details of actual expenditure vis-Ã -vis approved plan outlay during the last three years is annexed which indicates that many States have not been able to achieve the Plan outlay. The main reason for these States not achieving the Plan outlay is their inability to raise the projected level of States` own resources.

(e): Planning Commission have been impressing upon the States to generate higher level of own resources, inter-alia, by improving the performance of State level enterprises, increasing tax and non tax revenue and also by curtailing their non plan expenditure so that sufficient funds are available to finance the plan.

ANNEXURE-1

STATEMENT GIVING DETAILS REGARDING APPROVED OUTLAY / ACTUAL EXPENDITURE `FOR ANNUAL PLANS 1997-98, 1998-99 AND 1999-2000`

(Rs. Crore)

Sl. No.	States	ORIGINALLY APPROVED OUTLAYS			ACTUAL EXPENDITURE		
		1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	1997-98	1998-99	99-2000 +
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3579.55	4678.95	5480.00	3707.23	4671.97	5480.00 $
2.	Arunachal Pra	600.00	625.00	665.00	489.38	463.02	503.00
3.	Assam	1510.28	1650.00	1750.00	1283.18	1293.67	1500.00

4. Bihar 2268.42 3768.74 3630.00 1711.43 2424.65 2471.99

5. Goa 230.56 291.34 281.19 198.59 220.61 241.00
6. Gujarat 4509.62 5450.00 6550.00 3905.07 3905.07 6550.00

7 Haryana 1576.04 2260.00 2300.00 1303.61 1522.91 1785.00

8. Himachal Pra 1008.00 1440.00 1600.00 1294.33 1539.65 1601.17

9. Jammu & Kashmir 1551.81 1900.00 1750.00 1496.28 1259.61 1758.00
10. Karnataka 4153.59 5353.00 5800.00 4424.48 5649.04 5231.35
11. Kerala 2851.10 3100.00 3250.00 2867.62 3039.09+ 3010.45
12. Madhya Pradesh 3718.15 3700.00 4004.00 3343.91 3426.12+ 3473.75
13. Maharashtra 8393.19 11600.73 12162.00 7938.03 8187.48 12161.66
14. Manipur 410.00 425.00 475.00 345.28 388.55 475.00 $
15. Meghalaya 382.00 400.00 465.00 248.83 299.38 350.00
16. Mizoram 290.00 333.00 360.00 295.25 272.06 380.51
17. Nagaland 291.00 300.00 315.00 232.33 245.97 320.50
18. Orissa 2529.46 3084.43 3309.17 2037.14 2581.61 2510.13
19. Punjab 2100.01 2500.00 2680.00 2008.80 2006.27 2680.00
20. Rajasthan 3514.42 4300.00 4750.00 3987.35 3832.83 3855.14
21. Sikkim 220.00 237.00 250.00 190.12 218.00 + 250.00 $
22. Tamil Nadu 4004.90 4500.00 5250.00 4010.63 4515.81 5250.00
23. Tripura 439.91 440.00 475.00 412.59 392.25 437.00
24. Uttar Pradesh 7246.57 10260.00 11400.00 5652.36 6363.94 5104.08
25. West Bengal 3907.62 4594.85 5787.00 2840.10 3459.64 3674.73

Total (States) 61286.20 77192.04 84738.36 56223.92 62179.20 71054.46

`+ : Actual Expenditure not availbale,Revised Outlay taken.`

`$ : Revision not sought by State Govt, Approved Outlay repeated.`